

*Executive Proclamation*  
*State of South Dakota*  
*Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, A. J. "Bud" Sexe was born near Sioux Falls, South Dakota, on June 25, 1924; and,

*Whereas*, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

*Whereas*, Bud has been blessed with four children, three daughter-in-laws, one son-in-law, and Kathy who have shared his sorrows and blessings, and also six grandchildren whom he has taught the joy of buttering steak, eating sugar buns, and giving Eskimo kisses; and,

*Whereas*, Although there are three granddogs whom he loves and lets into his house, and one great-granddog, he is especially partial to Hunter; and,

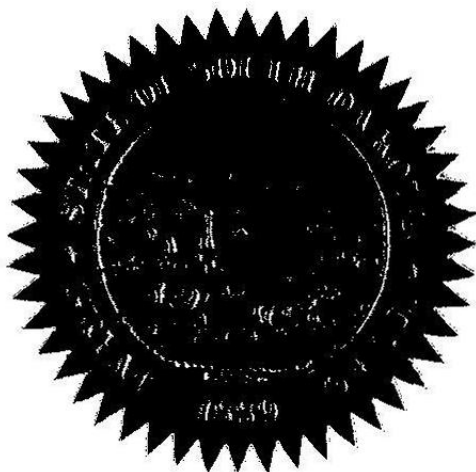
*Whereas*, Bud has lived and worked in Sioux Falls, Watertown, and Huron for 70 plus years to provide for himself and for his family, loves to tend to his tomatoes and potatoes, and never passes up an opportunity for ice cream, popcorn or a fresh cup of really hot coffee; and,

*Whereas*, Bud will observe his 80th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as his friends and relatives gather to honor him and celebrate his life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a man who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:


*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 25, 2004, as

*A. J. "BUD" SEXE DAY*

in South Dakota, and I join all his friends and his relatives in wishing him a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-fifth Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.

  
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

  
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State